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GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT

ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR

### NOTIFICATION

The 23rd July, 2009.

**No.POL.2/2007/Pt.II/63.**—Whereas the Government of Meghalaya is of the opinion that it is necessary to appoint a Commission of Inquiry for the purpose of making an inquiry into a definite matter of public importance.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under Sub-Section (1) of Section 3 of the Commission of Inquiry Act, 1952, the Government of Meghalaya hereby appoints a Commission of Inquiry headed by Justice D. Biswas, Retired Judge of the Guwahati High Court.

#### Terms of Reference of the Commission of Inquiry shall be as follows :

1. To determine the events and circumstances leading to the escape of seven Under Trial Prisoners from Shillong District Jail on 31st May, 2009 and to fix responsibility accordingly.
2. To determine the circumstances and events leading to the death of Shri Fullmoon Dhar.
3. To determine the circumstance/events and causes leading to the arrest and subsequent discharge of Shri Thomas Nongtdu.
4. To determine the existence of any nexus between politicians and criminals in the events leading to the above Jailbreak on 31st May, 2009 and the events following thereafter.
5. To inquire into any other matter incidental thereto.

The Commission shall complete the inquiry and submit its report within six months from the date of this notification.

Having regard to the nature of the inquiry to be made and other circumstances of the case, the Government of Meghalaya also directs that the provisions of sub-sections (2), (3), (4) and (5) of Section 5 of the Commission of Inquiry Act, 1952, shall apply to the said Commission of Inquiry.

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